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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q78777

Masanobu TAKASHIMA, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/727,996

Group Art Unit: 1774

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Examiner: Bruce H. Hess

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For: INK JET RECORDING MEDIUM AND INK JET RECORDING METHOD

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 17, 2006, please consider the remarks as submitted herewith on the accompanying pages.

REMARKS

Claims 1-16 are all the claims pending in the application. The Examiner is thanked for his clarification in the new Office Action dated January 17, 2006, that Claims 1, 5-12 and 15 are rejected, Claims 13 and 14 are objected to, and Claims 2-4 have been withdrawn. Applicants hereby further request that a next Office Action clarify Claims 1-16 (not Claims 1-15 as indicated in the January 17, 2006, Office Action) are pending and Claims 2-4 and 16 (not Claims 2-4) are withdrawn from consideration.